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Residents irate over hall switch

By CHAD CARLTON and
VICTORIA P. MALMER

The letter that East Hall residents found in their mailboxes Monday thanked them for their "anticipated understanding and cooperation" in moving out next year so the hall can be converted to a women's dorm.

But the hall's residents are being anything but cooperative.

The self-named "Beasts of East" are upset, and they plan to do something about it. More than 89 percent of the hall's residents have signed a petition demanding they not be "thrown out" of the dorm.

The housing office explained in the letter that the move was necessary to make up for the 200 spaces women will lose when Pol and Hall goes coed next fall.

The residents say East is a home away from home, and they are a big, happy family. They don't want to move.

Housing Director John Osborne said that he is willing to talk individually with those who have complaints and suggested that they take their case to Interhall Council. But how much weight the residents' petition has "depends on what they present and how they present it," he said.

East Hall residents will be given top priority for fall 1985 housing, and Osborne said there's a good chance that men who want to be close to the Hill can move into rooms that open in North Hall.

"I anticipate an adequate amount of space will open up at North Hall," he said. "But I'm only

speculating and anticipating. I don't have a crystal ball."

Osborne said the women's dorms were nearly filled this semester, and coed housing will take 200 more women's spaces next fall, creating a shortage of women's housing.

Osborne discussed the options with the officials in the office of student affairs in September and decided that converting East was the best option.

He said the choice was obvious since Pearce-Ford Tower, Barnes-Campbell and Keen halls are too large to be converted to a women's dorm.

East was preferred over North Hall because it has a basement with room for 20 more residents.

"We're doing the best we can with what we've got," Osborne said. "To not take some action would be deplorable."

East, along with North, was changed from a women's to a men's dorm about five years ago. Osborne said, partly because of requests by men for housing on the Hill.

And "on the Hill" is where East residents want to stay.

"They didn't even ask any of the residents about it," said Phillip Turner, a Hopkinsville freshman. "That's cruel."

But Osborne said he believes the residents have been given adequate time to prepare for a move.

East Hall residents plan to take their petition to Osborne at the end of the week. "We'd take it to Zach if we thought it would help," said Al-

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INSIDE

3 Society may evolve into a dystopia rather than a utopia, some panelists said at a symposium at the Capitol Arts Center Tuesday.

5 Good communication skills and a positive appearance help the Spirit Masters to give visitors a good impression of Western.

7 A thin Santa in a blue suit? Almost 25 McNeill Elementary first graders learned about "An Old Fashioned Christmas" at the Kentucky Museum this week.

8 Periods and commas are overused, but writers are gradually working toward less punctuation, said an assistant professor of English.

9 Lillie Mason led the Lady Tops last night with 17 points to help beat Southern Illinois 65-55. Western will be in action tomorrow at the Colonel Holiday Classic at Eastern.

9 Louisville's chances in the Wendy's Classic this weekend may have been hurt when Milt Wagner broke his foot.

Snow bound

Jonathan Newton - Herald

Snow and rain fell on Karen Ewart, a Bowling Green sophomore, as she walked back to her dorm Wednesday afternoon. The National Weather Service was predicting one to three inches of snow to fall overnight. Temperatures are expected to be in the mid-20s.

Con ends with capture of greek imposter

By DOUG GOTT

It sounds like a script from "Mission: Impossible" — a superb con man travels the country for 15 years stealing from fraternities.

However, Fred Postlewaite met his match at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house at 1410 College St. Tuesday night when he came to the house claiming to be a member.

Bowling Green police Sgt. Raymond Raymer said Postlewaite, who has been convicted at least

three times for stealing, was charged with second-degree forgery after he allegedly stole some checks from an SAE member in Louisville a few days ago. He tried to use the checks at Red Carpet Inn and at Western Hills Motel in Bowling Green.

"When we get through with him, we'll potify Utah," Raymer said. "He's wanted there for parole violations."

Raymer said the fugitive warrant papers were on the way to

Bowling Green from Utah.

The SAEs have long been Postlewaite's main target. Last week, Ken Tracey, the fraternity's national president, sent a letter and "wanted poster" to chapter presidents across the country, advising them to be on the lookout for Postlewaite. The information was posted in the fraternity house.

"Police told me this morning that they asked him why he liked to steal from SAEs so much," Tracey said. "He said he was blackballed 20

years ago, and this was his best way of taking revenge."

"I don't know if it's true or not," he said. "We don't have any record of him as a pledge, but we didn't keep a complete record on pledges 20 years ago."

Postlewaite's downfall started Tuesday night when fraternity member Mike Kaufman, a senior from Marietta, La., spotted a man who looked like Postlewaite at a local liquor store. He phoned the fraternity house, but the other

members didn't take him seriously.

At about 3 a.m., Postlewaite arrived at the SAE house, calling himself Mike Vickroy and wearing a fraternity shirt.

Tony Willen, a Louisville sophomore, greeted Postlewaite on the front porch. Although Postlewaite gave the appropriate handshake, Willen recognized him as the man on the poster in the house.

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Hall switch angers students

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len Ciarlante, a Louisville sophomore, who led an opposition meeting in East's lobby Tuesday night.

"This is one of the few dorms where everybody knows everybody else," said Jimmy Van Cleve, a Calhoun freshman. "We're close knit. We're family. To disrupt that, to split this group, would really hurt us."

Ciarlante said he and some other residents came up with a list of possible options that would leave East a men's dorm:

- Hope openings in women's

dorms will absorb the displaced Poland residents.

- Limit the number of women in private rooms.

- Re-open Potter Hall for the overflow of women.

- Convert both Bemis Lawrence and Barnes-Campbell halls to coed housing.

Ciarlante said he got the idea for two coed dorms from a conversation he witnessed between Osborne and Jack Smith, Associated Student Government president. If the administration lowers the number of credit hours needed to qualify for coed housing from 60

to 30 hours, that might create a greater demand for coed housing, Ciarlante said.

Osborne said he did talk with Smith, but he denied suggesting that Bemis and Barnes could be made coed.

Ciarlante is circulating additional petitions in North, South and Bates-Runner halls. He said he will first ask the housing office to limit the number of single-occupancy women's rooms.

If that doesn't work, Ciarlante said, he will push for decreasing the coed housing credit hour requirement.

Con game ends for greek imposter

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Postlewaite, who is in his 30's, told Willen that he was an SAE pledge at the University of Tennessee.

He eventually told some fraternity members that he worked for the Gatlinburg Press, a paper that his father owns, and was on a two-week vacation. He said he was in the area and wanted to visit Western's chapter.

Several members kept Postlewaite occupied, watching television and talking; others went to find a fraternity officer. Treasurer Andy Lano called police.

Meanwhile, Postlewaite told other members he was going to law school at Southern Methodist University, and he offered to donate \$20 to help pay for a Christmas tree.

When police arrived, chapter

president Chuck Hickman gave them the memo from national headquarters.

Postlewaite was charged with public intoxication and taken to Warren County Jail.

The national president said SAEs first encounter with Postlewaite was in 1969 when he assumed the identity of the chapter president at the University of Pennsylvania who had reported his wallet stolen.

In 1973, SAE sent out a flyer on Postlewaite after a number of thefts. He was arrested in Denver and spent five years in Tennessee prisons.

After he was released, Postlewaite went to East Tennessee State University, where he volunteered to help raise money to rebuild their chapter house which had burned.

Postlewaite left Johnson City with some of the money and a car. He was apprehended by the police but was released after he made restitution and placed in a rehabilitation program.

Postlewaite later turned up in Oregon, and at the University of Idaho he stole money and credit cards from the chapter president. He fled to Utah where he used the credit cards until he was arrested again in 1981. He was released last summer.

Postlewaite reportedly stole several checkbooks at the University of Cincinnati recently.

"If you didn't know better, you'd be convinced he was an SAE," Hickman said. "He was quoting things from the True Gentleman (SAE's motto), and everything."

"He's a genuine con artist."

Proposal for dorm inspection fails

Following Interhall Council's lead, Associated Student Government failed a bill Tuesday that called for monthly room inspections to replace the current twice-monthly ones.

Interhall Council failed a similar bill 40-10 Monday afternoon.

Congress' bill, first introduced in early November, was withdrawn from consideration the next week, pending the council vote.

Congress also failed a resolution requesting double mattresses or box springs for Pearce-Ford Tower

rooms.

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AMERICAN GREETINGS

Big Brother may already be here

By MARY MEEHAN

Colleges aren't teaching students what they need to know. The computer age is resulting in the dehumanization of man, and the predictions in George Orwell's novel "1984" may be close at hand, or here already.

Five panelists discussed these and other ideas about the future at Capitol Arts Center Tuesday night in the symposium, "1984/2020, Utopia/Dystopia."

Potter College sponsored the panel through a grant from the Kentucky Humanities Council.

The panelists traded their predictions, many saying society is heading for dystopia, an environment where conditions are dreadful.

Stephen Gaskin, a resident of a collective community in Summertown, Tenn., said in some countries the predictions about Big Brother, the omnipotent manipulator of history who rules society in "1984," are already true.

He cited a Guatemalan election in 1980, when a civilian and a general were running for office.

The early television returns seemed to indicate the civilian was winning. But Gaskin said television screens across the country went gray. For 18 hours the stations played rumba music. When the screens came back on, the general

had won the election.

"We should always expect the worst, and be thankful when we get less than the worst," said Dr. Ronald Nash, head of the religion and philosophy department. Nash said Orwell's restrictive society will evolve; Orwell simply got the date wrong.

"The people we really need to fear are people who are Utopian in our midst — people who would play fast and loose with our liberties to achieve their ideal," Nash said.

"American society is being restructured from the top to the bottom by people whose motives are good, but whose actions are only hurting the very people they believe they're helping.

"I think political liberalism suffers too heavy a dose of utopianism."

But Dr. Raymond Burse, president of Kentucky State University, said the direction of society should be examined closely by the educational system.

The university system is not in tune with the needs of society and may be producing students without marketable skills, he said. The need for jobs is shifting dramatically toward the service industries.

Also, more and more non-whites will be moving to the United States and Kentucky in the next 20 years. This will place "even greater strain on what our society becomes," he

said, since "we have not prepared ourselves for that."

"People are often treated as machines in industry," said Dr. Eugene Evans, professor of management and marketing.

But the humane treatment of workers may help to offset this trend, said the Rev. Phillip Walters, pastor at the Newman Center.

Evans said businessmen are becoming more aware of their responsibility to the workers. But he doesn't know if that's going to be enough.

Gaskin said he thinks the problem with Orwell's society and the structure of the United States is that the tradition of majority rule leaves millions dissatisfied. He said a utopian society would have to be "decentralized and pluralistic."

He said during the late 1960s he and a group of "moderate hippies" established a farm in Tennessee. "We thought we had a Utopia within our grasp."

But the society has changed. It began as a collective society, but is now more of a corporation.

He added that at any stage in society there "is always going to be the best of times and the worst of times."

The only way to improve the situation or avoid trouble is to "hustle all the time."

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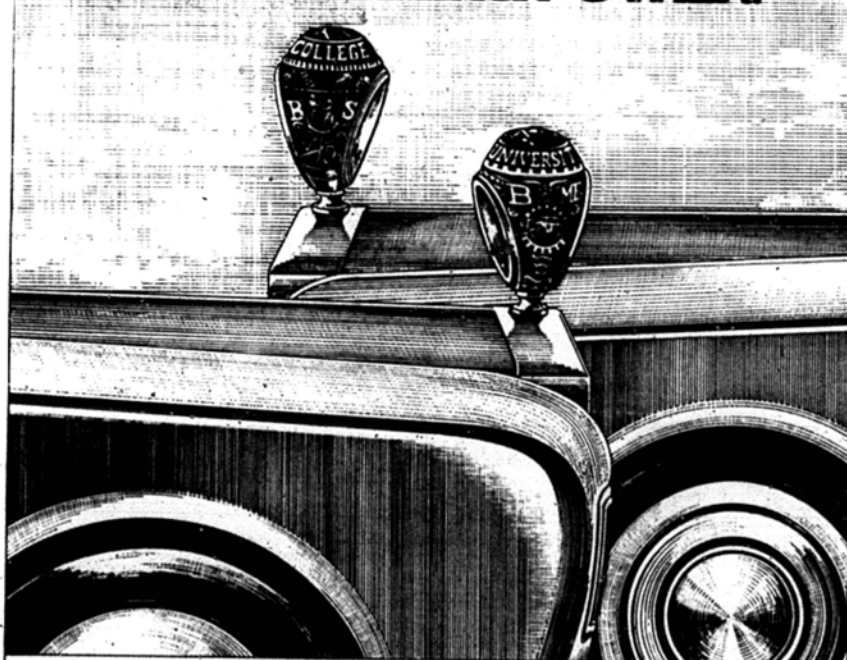


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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Loves the Hill, East

I am writing in concern for myself and my fellow residents of East Hall.

I believe that East Hall has one of the most spirited brotherhoods of all the residence halls on the campus. The atmosphere is that of a home away from home. East Hall gives men an opportunity to be close to the Hill.

Western was founded on a hill; that is the Hill which we, the residents of East Hall, love so dearly.

As of right now, the women have an advantage over the men because there are more women's dorms.

There are more women's residence halls on the Hill now than men's. Women are always complaining about their "equal rights."

Why in the hell don't the men start standing up for their equal rights, also?

East Hall is one of the two men's residence halls on the Hill now. Why take it away from us? We want to stay close to the original Hill, the one we love.

We, the residents of East Hall, want to be known as the Hilltoppers.

Western has done some pretty stupid things in its time, and if they were to change East Hall to a women's hall, this would raise such an outcry among all.

Hugh Embry
sophomore

Upset by 'eviction'

As vice president of East Hall, I am writing to contest East Hall's conversion into a women's hall. I and many other residents of East Hall feel that we have been slighted by this seemingly spontaneous decision by the office of housing.

For most of the residents of East Hall, the "eviction notice" that appeared in our mailbox Dec. 3, was like an unexpected punch in the face.

From what I gather from other students on the matter, East Hall was converted to a men's hall because of the outcry of men who wanted to have more men's residence halls on the Hill.

The number of women on Western's campus outweighs number of men so it is expected that there be more women's dorms on the Hill; but one men's hall as opposed to seven women's halls on the Hill is grossly unfair.

Other problems will also be created for the men; the conversion will lessen the chance of men who reside in North Hall to do so in the future. This will also multiply the opportunity for a man to have a single room on the Hill.

Furthermore, the chance of a student with less than 60 hours living on the Hill is next to nonexistent. If that isn't bad enough, the university gets a chance to exhibit its blood-sucking techniques by forcing more men to accept air-conditioned rooms which will directly increase men's costs.

Andrew L. Winner
East Hall vice president

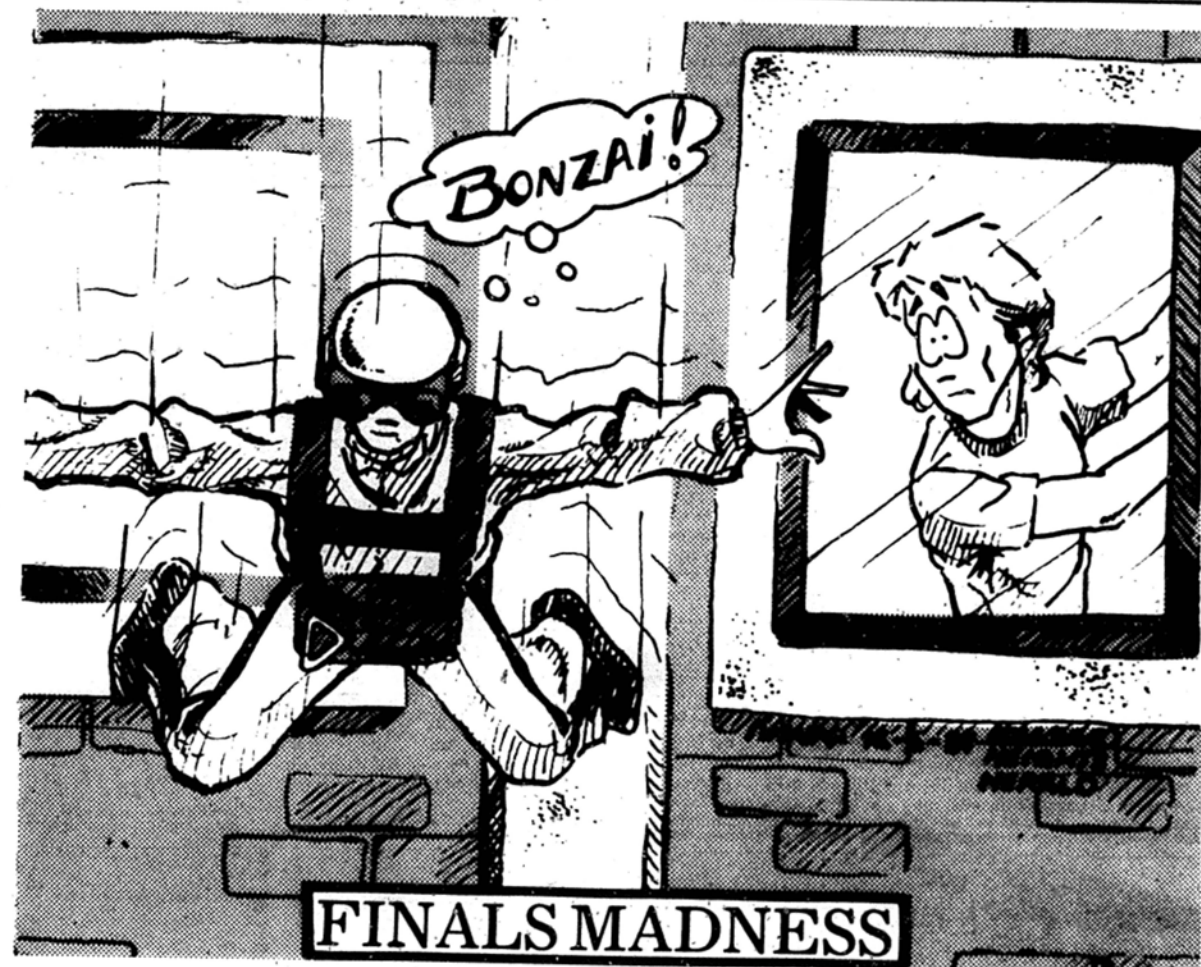
Statement not true

In the article on grade inflation in Potter College in the December 4 Herald, it's stated that I "objected to the large amount of arts and humanities courses" management and marketing majors would be allowed to take to meet the requirements for a major.

This is not true.

I objected to the fact that a departmental committee recommended that our majors not be allowed to take many social science courses and almost no natural science courses.

I was arguing for the restoration of social science and natural science courses to the list of approved subjects, not for the removal



of arts and humanities courses from the list.

It's unfortunate that you chose to publish opinions, mine and those of others, without publishing the facts. If you had published the data tables attached to my memo to Dr. Gluhman, your readers would have had a basis for forming their own opinions about grade inflation in Potter College.

You didn't afford your readers this opportunity.

Incidentally, I would not have used the words "large amount" of courses. Those are the words of your reporter. I would have used, correctly, the words "large number" of courses, had I said anything at all about this.

Robert F. Pethia
professor and head,

Department of Marketing and Management

Grade squabble shows immaturity

Mother is in the kitchen getting ready when she hears a commotion coming from the backyard. She looks out her kitchen window to find two young boys fighting in the dirt amid a dozen or so other cheering boys. Those boys are separated into two indistinguishable groups.

The mother hurries outside to break up the tussle. "Boys! Stop that right now! Boys! Do you hear me? I said stop it!"

The two red-faced youngsters stand up and dust themselves off before hanging their heads ashamedly. "Would either of you like to tell me what's going on?" asks the mom.

"Bobby accused my team of cheating!"

"I didn't start it, Joey started it."

"Did not!"

"Did too!"

"Hold it," mother says. "Bobby, tell me what happened."

"Joey's team was losing, see. So they started cheating to get ahead. All I did was tell my team about it, but someone on my team squealed to him. That's when Joey got

really hot about it and started pushing me around. I wasn't trying to start a fight."

"Okay, Joey, is that what happened?" mom said.

"Bobby lied about me in front of my friends! He doesn't have any proof that we cheated."

Joey is still mad. His pride was hurt.

"I do too have proof."

"Do not!"

"Do too!"

"Do not!"

"Enough!" yells the mother. She looks around at the other boys standing there. They aren't upset. They think it's funny.

"You'd think by now that you boys would have enough sense to work something like this out. What's going to happen when you grow up? Will you still be behaving like children?"

Apparently so.

Steve Haffner
senior

Keep 'beasts' in East

Isn't it fantastic? We finally have co-ed housing on Western's campus. The entire campus community stands only to benefit.

But all is not well in Hillville. The Housing Office now has plans to change East Hall from a men's to a women's hall. I don't dispute the logic of how they came to this simple solution, but there are some items they managed to overlook.

If East is given to women, there will be eight women's halls on or near the Hill, as opposed to one men's. This will result in over 2,300 spaces available for women versus 180 for men wanting to reside beyond Regents Avenue.

The benefits of living on the Hill and close to one's classes are many. We, the "Beasts of East," have realized this for quite some time, and have happily formed a fellowship and a tradition in our hall.

It is now that we humbly ask the Housing office to reconsider the other available op-

tions to their problem and their present "solution."

We thank the administration for the co-ed hall, but don't take away our home on the Hill.

Danny Broderick
senior

Hopes 'hasty move' is reconsidered

Yesterday, the residents of East Hall were informed that this hall was going to be changed into yet another women's hall.

This is unfair to the men because there are so few men's residence halls up the Hill whereas there are already eight women's residence halls in close proximity to the majority of classroom buildings.

Also, we, the students, should be given a say in this matter so important to our personal lives. We wish the administration would reconsider this hasty move.

Nell Withers
president, South Hall
Sheila Stockton
sophomore

LETTERS POLICY

Letters to the editor must be received by 2 p.m. Sunday for the Tuesday edition and by 2 p.m. Tuesday for the Thursday edition. All letters must be typed, double-spaced, limited to 250 words and have the writer's signature, grade or job classification and phone number.

Because of space and legal limitations, the Herald reserves the right to shorten letters without changing content. Also, obscene or libelous material will be deleted, and spelling and grammatical errors will be corrected.

Masters spread Western spirit

By MACK HUMPHREYS

The time Spirit Masters may spend playing host to Kelly Thompson at a reception could rival the hours students spend taking classes in the complex named after the former president.

The Spirit Masters is a service organization that represents the university at official functions, ranging from freshman orientation tours to parties held by President Donald Zacharias.

Being able to communicate effectively and a "positive appearance that will leave visitors with a good impression" of the university are the most vital skills for a Spirit Master, said Chairman Gil Ray Cowles.

Wearing their uniform — a blue blazer, a blue tie dotted with Big Red mascots and an "Ask me about Western" button — the Spirit Masters spend 10 to 15 hours a week creating a good impression for the

college.

"I joined because I wanted to be part of something that makes a difference," said Vice Chairman Laura McClellan, a Louisville junior. "As Spirit Masters, we give a lot of people their first and last impression of the university."

The organization's largest project is freshman orientation each spring. The Spirit Masters pair off to give groups of up to 200 prospective students and parents campus tours and answer questions.

The Spirit Masters also work the Phonothon, a three week event that raised more than \$32,000 for the university's development office last year. The money will fund research, building renovations and other projects.

For four days last year when Western was being reviewed for reaccreditation, the members of the organization spent up to 10 hours a day accompanying the ac-

creditation board around campus.

The organization gets a \$500 annual budget from the university. Those funds are spent almost entirely on interviewing prospective members.

Spirit Masters pay no dues, and none of the money they help raise during Phonothon goes back to them. The university does not reimburse them for food or mileage when they go somewhere to represent Western.

"We are the most absolutely underfunded organization on campus," said Cowles, a Bowling Green senior.

The Spirit Masters receive about 100 applications each year, but membership is limited to 24 members. Even current Spirit Masters must file an application and be interviewed to be active each year.

"The kind of work we do, we have to keep quality in the organization," said Secretary Tep Powell, a Mayfield senior.

Concert Sunday to help accident victim

The Friends of Joey Thayer will gather Sunday for a benefit concert to help the Richlandville freshman who has been in a coma since a car accident August 20.

WDNS-FM 98 is co-sponsoring the Rock For Life concert. Profits

will be donated to Thayer's family.

Thayer was a 1983 graduate of Warren East High School and a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity.

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Aspiring director makes film

By KIM PARSON

While most kids in New York were outside playing games, Mickey Mayhew was auditioning for commercials.

Mayhew, a senior from Nashville, grew up in New York and, at the age of 10, was appearing in spots for products like Matchbox cars, Fritos Corn Chips and Cracker Jacks.

"I didn't really think about what I was doing," he said. "I thought every kid in town was doing commercials."

Mayhew's time now, apart from working toward a degree in broadcasting with a concentration on television production, is divided between New York and Nashville.

In New York he occasionally does free-lance work for production companies. In Nashville he works as a production assistant at a video house, writing scripts, operating cameras and other jobs.

Mayhew is working on a short film about high school-age street kids. He said he got the idea for the film

from an article in Rolling Stone Magazine.

He said he gave the idea to a friend, Chris Bratton, a Bowling Green sophomore, and Bratton wrote the script.

Mayhew said the film, which he expects to be 10-15 minutes long, is just for practice. It is about a group of street kids who play a trick on a guy that wants to join their gang.

"If it's worth anything, I'll put it on my list of accomplishments," he said.

The cast for the film will be made up of some of Mayhew's friends, and he plans to begin shooting in the next few weeks.

Mayhew said he wants his movies to deal with real life situations, but still be entertaining, such as Kramer vs. Kramer.

Like his father, who is a country music record producer, Mayhew is also involved in the music business. But, he said, he isn't into the country music scene.

"I like sleazy clubs and crazy people, so I'm in music," he said.

Mayhew plays in bands occasionally, such as "Nancy Sin-

atra," which played at Sigma Phi Epsilon's "Punk Rock X" in November.

But much of his time is spent managing other bands.

Mayhew was the manager for "Jason and the Scorchers," who recently performed in Garrett Ballroom, until the act received national acclaim and needed a full-time manager.

Now Mayhew manages the "Delta Hurricanes" who opened for "Jason and the Scorchers" during their recent appearance in Garrett Center.

He said he arranges magazine interviews, playing dates and is a spokesperson for the band.

Mayhew, who graduates in May, said he would like to work in Nashville.

"Once I do something and accomplish it, I go on to something else," Mayhew said. "I get bored with things easily."

But, he said, he is certain he won't get bored with show business.

"I'll always be in entertainment, either in films or in music," he said.

'Bethlehem' shines at planetarium

By ANGELA STRUCK

Children's eyes twinkled almost as brightly as the stars Sunday afternoon as "The Star of Bethlehem" filled Hardin Planetarium.

The lights dimmed. Viewers laid back and turned their heads toward the ceiling, listening to the soft tune of "White Christmas."

The lights finally went out, leaving a smattering of stars on the planetarium ceiling. "Oohs" and "aahs" swelled from the crowd.

Alice and Joe Braun traveled 28 miles from Russellville to see "The Star of Bethlehem" for the first time. They said they have been to planetariums across the country, and though Western's is smaller than those in larger cities, size doesn't dictate what viewers can learn.

No scientific explanation exists

for the star that supposedly appeared above the birthplace of Jesus Christ, but the show offers many theories for the phenomenon which is steeped in tradition.

Comets, explosions and planets are some of the possible causes the 45-minute show explores.

Watching "The Star of Bethlehem" is also a good way to spark Christmas spirit, Mrs. Braun said.

A group from Clifton General Baptist Church in Allen County thought so, too.

The church planned the 18-mile trip for the Sunday school class, said Chris Carter, one of the 39 in the group.

"We thought it would be good for the children," she said. But the group decided to open it up to anyone interested.

The show runs on Sundays at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and on Tuesdays

and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. until Dec. 20.

This show attracts more people outside the university than any other, said planetarium director Paul Campbell. The planetarium also ran a 3:30 show Sunday to accommodate the people who couldn't get into the earlier one.

This isn't unusual on Sundays, Campbell said. Occasionally, the planetarium runs extra shows on weeknights.

Although it offers no definite reason for the occurrence of the bright light that led the three wise men to the Christ child, "The Star of Bethlehem" doesn't pretend an explanation is important.

What is important, the voice amid the stars said, is that Jesus was born, spent time on Earth and taught lessons that changed the world.

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Plaza II: Missing in Action, R. 7 and 9.

Center Theater: Iceman and Jeremiah Johnson. Starts at 7.

Concerts

The Chamber Singers will present a Christmas concert at 8 p.m. tonight in the Kentucky Museum. Admission is free.

The departments of music and communication and theater will present the Bowling Green-Western Symphony Orchestra and Western's dance company in a Holiday Ballet at 3 p.m. Sunday in Van Meter auditorium. Admission is \$3 for students and \$5 for adults.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will present Christmas Concert '84 with Joey Hayes at 7 p.m. Dec. 10 in Van Meter auditorium.

The department of music will present a concert by Western's Jazz Band at 8 p.m. in the Center Theater. Admission is free.

WDNS-FM 98 and Friends of Joey Thayer will present a Rock For Life benefit concert at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Jaycee Pavilion. DV8 and Tantrum will perform. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$4 day of show. All proceeds go to Joey Thayer and his family. Tickets are available at the Music Shoppe, Spot Cash and the Audio Center.

Nightlife

Next will be performing at the General Store tonight.

ENTERTAINMENT

C hristmas is for kids

Top, Tamara Marsh, a third grader at T.C. Cherry Elementary, is shown how to make Christmas crafts at the Kentucky Museum Tuesday. Left, A student works on her Christmas ornament.

Photos by Linda Sherwood - Herald



Third and fourth grade students at T.C. Cherry Elementary learn how to make Christmas decorations at the Kentucky Museum Tuesday as part of "An Old Fashioned Christmas." The students were making ornaments that reflected 19th century decorations.

By JACKIE HUTCHERSON

The eyes of about 25 attentive first graders were on Judy Farnsley when she said Santa Claus used to be thin and wore a blue suit. Some of the children gloated and told their classmates that they already knew, while room mothers tried to hush the bright-eyed children.

The students were learning about "An Old Fashioned Christmas," sponsored by the Kentucky Museum.

Farnsley told Sue Jones' pupils from McNeill Elementary School that, in the days of Old England, Santa Claus was known as Father Christmas. She explained that Americans adopted the tradition of the jolly old elf as the students wiggled in their chairs, their feet dangling inches from the ground.

Describing Santa Claus was easy for Mary Shea Dobson, 7. "He's got a red suit; he's got a beard, and he's fat and he has black boots," she said, twirling her blonde pigtails.

The event is "a special tour program," said Vicky Middlesworth,

assistant curator of the library's special collections and director of "An Old Fashioned Christmas."

This is the event's sixth year. It used to be for children in first through fifth grade, but it's now designed for kindergarten to third-grade students.

"We try and teach them about Christmas traditions," Middlesworth said. "Some have changed, but many have stayed the same, like having a big dinner. That goes all the way back to Medieval times."

"We want to give them a positive first experience in the museum," she said, explaining that many children who come back remember what they have learned.

During the hour-long program, the children sang Christmas carols, learned about old and new customs, and played hot potato with a book about Santa Claus.

Each made three ornaments that were reflective of 19th century Christmas trees — a colored paper Santa, a Christmas card and a garland of paper stars and circles.

While looking over his finished products, a proud Josh Dilworth, 7,

said, "I'm an artist, and I like cuttin' and colorin' and drawin'."

The most fun the children had, however, was talking about St. Nicholas and what he would bring them.

Christy Patterson, 6, said she already knows what Santa is bringing her.

"I'm getting some new shoes, earphone things or a tape recorder," she said, wearing a bright yellow sweater and bright green boots.

Megan Hatchett, 6, said she had seen Santa Claus.

"I saw him two times in a row. He's got deer and a reindeer called Rudolph," she said. "I saw him at my piano recital and at Red Carpet (Inn)."

Most of the children were positive that Santa Claus will deliver their gifts by coming down the chimney. "But what if you don't have one?"

"He probably unlocks the door with a secret key," said Brian Pasley, 6, smiling to show the gap where his two front teeth used to be.

'Toy Shop' highlights holiday dance recital

By KIM SWIFT

Van Meter auditorium was silent as the motionless dancers of the Toy Shop Ballet prepared mentally for the rehearsal of Music and Dance for the Holidays.

The Bowling Green-Western Kentucky Symphony and Western's dance company will present Sunday's program, which will feature "A Christmas Toy Shop."

Dance director, Beverly Veenker, put on a record, and the sweaty dancers walked through the scene and checked their spacing.

Veenker, assistant professor of communication and theater, stood in the aisle, arranging the dancers on the stage as if they were parts of a puzzle.

As Veenker demonstrated a kick or a hand motion to a dancer, the others whispered and giggled, caught up in the festive atmosphere of the production.

"Quiet people, please!" Veenker called as the hub of voices got louder. Her voice was sharp, and she ruled the stage, never letting the situation get out of control.

During rehearsal for the toy shop scene they "start remembering when we were kids and how giddy we used to be," said Laurie

Stream, a senior from St. Louis. Stream plays the toy store owner and a ragtime performer.

All of the company's dancers have a part in the Toy Shop Ballet, whether they play a doll or a teddy bear, said Paul Brown, the wooden toy soldier.

The company has been practicing since the beginning of the semester, and rehearsals have been every day for the past two months.

Brown and Anne Moore, his partner in the toy shop scene, had some tutu troubles during rehearsal. When Brown lifted the ballerina for a sweep across the stage, he couldn't see where he was going because of the gauze from her skirt.

Brown, a Hartford senior, said he had never before worked with a

but they seemed to add to the atmosphere of fun and toys and Christmas.

Veenker had said the rehearsals were dragging because of a lack of Christmas spirit. But things have improved since Brown added a Christmas tree to the toy shop.

Besides the "Fantastic Toy Shop," the orchestra will perform a classical piece and two ragtime pieces, one by Joplin and other by Stravinsky.

The main emphasis of the performance, though, is children, Veenker said. "We have something in this performance for both adults and children," she said.

The costume shop in the fine arts center was a scene of pre-performance festivity Tuesday

'We've got something in this performance for both adults and children.'

-Beverly Veenker-

ballerina wearing a tutu.

This performance will be different from previous shows because four girls from the Youth Dance Program at Western will have small parts.

During the rehearsal they huddled together, often bumping each other and giggling. Veenker had to calm them down a couple of times,

night. The dancers were singing Christmas carols and cracking jokes while sewing and trying on their costumes.

In the midst of the party Brown was working on a skirt for one of the young girls.

As he cut the blue skirt material, Brown reflected and said he was happy and proud to be in this performance.

"I remember my sophomore year and watching these concerts wishing I could be in them," he said. "And now I am."

Brown said the show covers every area — ballet, ragtime and children's ballet — so it should be a good performance.

The toy shop scene is fun, he said. "There is a little bit of kid in everybody. So everybody should like it."

Tickets for the 3 p.m. performance Sunday are \$3 and \$5. Call 745-3751 or 745-3269 for information.

FOR THE RECORD

"For the Record" contains reports from public safety.

Court Actions

Timothy Murrell Earles, 2214 Pearce-Ford Tower, pleaded guilty Nov. 27 to possession of marijuana in connection with his arrest Nov. 26. He was fined \$250 and court costs.

Michael Anthony Sanders, 309 Gayle Ave., pleaded guilty Nov. 24 to driving under the influence in connection with his arrest Nov. 24. His 48-hour sentence was probated for two months. He was fined \$200, a service fee of \$150 and court costs.

Jerry Allen Oldham, 808 Gilbert Ave., and Harry Ernest Depp Jr., 810 Gilbert Ave., pleaded guilty Nov. 21 to third degree criminal trespassing. Each was sentenced to 60 days and the sentence probated for two years. Both were ordered to pay \$67.50 and to stay off campus.

Robert Gregory Leneave, Cadiz, pleaded guilty Nov. 13 to being drunk in a public place in connection with his Nov. 12 arrest. He was sentenced to the time he had already served and ordered to pay court costs.

Arrest

James Andrew Bell, 141 West 14th St., was arrested Dec. 4, charged with theft under \$100 and two counts of second degree forgery, and lodged in Warren County Jail. The arrest was in connection with the theft of a check.

Reports

Gertie L. Nash, Food Services, reported Dec. 5 that someone had broken into the Garrett Cafeteria and stolen a bag of Doritos valued at \$1.47. It could not be determined if other items were missing. Damage was estimated at \$50.

Phil Vance, North Hall, reported Dec. 4 that four windows in the North Hall stairwell had been broken. Damage was estimated at \$100.

Jill Christie Warren, Rhodes Hall, reported Dec. 4 the theft of one of her textbooks, valued at \$25 from the shelf outside the university bookstore.

Wallace Taylor Irvin, 1650 Rogers St., reported Dec. 3 the theft of a revolver and holster, valued at \$74, from his 1974 Jeep while it was parked in Grise Lot.

Police noticed Dec. 3 that the red flashing light, valued at \$300, above the intersection of Alumni Drive and Hilltop Drive had been stolen.

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On dashes, on commas, on colons...

By KIM SWIFT

If, for every breath we take, when reading our writing, we placed a mark of punctuation, our writing would look like this. Or if we didn't use any marks or spaces it would look like this.

Writing has looked both ways. At first there was no punctuation. Then people fell in love with the little dots and dashes and peppered their papers with them.

What is happening now? According to Charles Meyer, an assistant professor of English, we are gradually working our way back toward less punctuation.

And Meyer should know the trends. He spent a year studying the punctuation in about 75,000 modern published words for his doctoral dissertation at the University of Milwaukee.

Meyer said he analyzed journalistic, scholarly and fictional writing.

"I looked at trends across the

whole sample and at the differences," he said. "I then compared what I found with what is prescribed in style manuals like the Associated Press Stylebook."

Meyer's dissertation was described in an article in the Chicago Tribune. Their story was called, "A tribute to punctuation as we know it — up to a point."

The author, Charles Leroux, heard of the dissertation and interviewed Meyer for his story. Meyer was quoted as saying, "I was surprised how often the rules were broken or not known. It seems that, when in doubt, people use more commas. I found that 90 percent of the marks used were periods and commas. In the better writing, however, there was a greater use of colons and semicolons."

Meyer said he found the most broken rules of punctuation in fictional writing.

When people used the conjunction 'but' to join two independent clauses, it received heav-

ier punctuation than the conjunction 'and,' because the word 'but' expresses more contrast, Meyer said. Twenty-six percent of the time no comma was used with 'and.'

Meyer gave another example. "I talked to my friend John, who lives on College Street." He said most people do not include the comma because the clause is restrictive and the comma seems unnecessary.

"As punctuation marks become less necessary, it will die out," he remarked. "We are getting away from heavy punctuation."

The journalistic writing style is setting this trend, he said, because newspapers are space conscious and save money with less punctuation. They use shorter sentences that need fewer marks.

When using two adjectives before a noun, a comma should be inserted if 'and' could take its place. For

instance, "his long, strong strides" takes a comma, but "a small brass ornament" doesn't, Meyer said.

Of all constructions that were punctuated, he said, 63 percent violated the rule. "But when enough people break the rule, it no longer becomes a rule."

Meyer said he felt his study was valuable.

"Punctuation is no earth-shattering matter, but the more we know about the practice, the more it will help in teaching."

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Thursday

The Association for Computing Machinery will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Thompson Complex Central Wing, Room 129. Dr. Bob Crawford, professor of computer science, will speak on "A Graph Theoretic Approach to Program Complexity."

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SPORTS

Western cans Southern Illinois; Mason back

By STEVE GIVAN

Coaches do a lot of things to motivate their star players — especially when they don't think their thoroughbred is going full speed.

Last Saturday, Clem Haskins let Kannard Johnson sit on the bench the first five minutes of the Livingston game because of Johnson's lackluster effort in the previous

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

game. When Johnson finally got into the game, he was inspired to score 25 points and led the Tops to a 78-38 rout.

In a practice earlier this week, Coach Paul Sanderford was so frustrated with the lack of effort of his prize player, Lillie Mason, that he kicked her out.

However, Sanderford started Mason last night, rather than benching the 6-2 junior center.

She responded with 17 points and nine rebounds to lead the Lady Tops to a 65-55 win over Southern Illinois at Diddle Arena.

Western, 3-1, returns to action tomorrow night at 6 against Duquesne in the Colonel Holiday Classic in Richmond.

Sanderford and Mason declined comment on the incident at practice. "That's a player-coach situation and I don't want to discuss it," Sanderford said. "But Lillie Mason came to play and I'm proud of her."

"I think the best thing I can say about tonight's game is that Lillie Mason is back."

It was Mason's three-point play with 1:15 remaining that put the Lady Tops in a commanding position to win the ballgame. She took a half-court pass from Gina Brown, spun in the lane, scored and was fouled by Lisa Dye. Her free throw gave the Lady Tops a 60-51 lead.

"Anytime you're down by six with that much time left, it's bound to hurt you," said Southern Illinois coach Cindy Scott of Mason's three-point play. "But Lillie hurt us all night long."

Western killed any hopes of an



Greg Lovett - Herald

Southern Illinois guard Maralice Jenkins tries to hold onto the ball after colliding with Western defender Sheronda

Southern Illinois rally with 49 seconds left when Clemette Haskins hit two free throws to make it 63-51.

The Lady Tops got off to a slow start against the Salukis, with a slim 27-25 halftime advantage.

Western appeared ready to blow the game open in the second half several times, but it never happened because Southern Illinois wouldn't let the Lady Tops take advantage of their beloved transition game.

"We had hoped to get in a transition game tonight, but it's pretty

hard to do if you have to scrape for a rebound," Sanderford said. The Salukis out-rebounded the Lady Tops 38-34.

But Southern Illinois, 2-3, couldn't handle the ball well, committing a whopping 27 turnovers, while Western made only 12 miscues.

"That's where we won the ballgame," Sanderford said. "They just couldn't take care of the basketball and I think our defense had something to do with that."

A lot of the second half effort

Jenkins during the first half of Wednesday's game. The Lady Toppers won 65-55.

came from reserve Sheronda Jenkins who had three steals. Sanderford said Jenkins second-half defense "turned the ballgame around for us."

Jenkins finished with seven points in 20 minutes. Haskins had 15 and Kami Thomas 10.

Petra Jackson led the Salukis with 13.

Sanderford said he doesn't know a lot about the Lady Toppers next opponent, Duquesne, 2-2, except that they are a quick team that likes to use zone defense.

Should Western beat Duquesne in the tournament, its next opponent would more than likely be host Eastern.

Eastern plays Kent State in the other first round game. Sanderford said Eastern, 4-1, may surprise people nationally this year.

"I feel like they are probably one of the most underrated teams in the nation," Sanderford said. "They've already beat Miami, (Fla.) down there this year. And if you remember, Miami beat us by nine down there last year."

Travis, eight others quit football team

By STEVE GIVAN

The signing date for national letters-of-intent is next Wednesday for junior college transfers, and Coach Dave Roberts is hoping to land a few players to give the Toppers some immediate help.

And the Tops will need all the help they can because nine players from this year's team, including six who would have been seniors, quit the team and another is leaving because of an injury.

Three are quarterbacks. Scott Travis and Justin Diel, both starters at one time or another last season, and Mike Seagram, a transfer from City College of San Francisco, are gone. Seagram hasn't been seen or heard from since going to his Daly City, Calif., home for Thanksgiving.

That leaves soon-to-be sophomores Jeff Cesarone and David Armstrong as the only quarterbacks.

Also deciding to throw in the towel are defensive back Tommy Greer, a Somerset freshman, and Terry Malone, a wide receiver from Louisville who would have been a sophomore.

Others calling it quits are offensive lineman Joel Whitney, a freshman from Shelbyville, Tenn.; defensive tackle Richard

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Cards stagger into Classic; Wagner out with foot injury

By BRENT WOODS

In a four-team tournament, one team is usually head and shoulders above the rest. It's the team that could probably shoot 30 percent and still win.

A month ago, it looked as if Louisville was that team in the Wendy's Classic.

The Cardinals had the talent, the size and experience to walk away with the fifth annual event.

But Milt Wagner broke a bone in his foot Saturday against Virginia Commonwealth after he landed on another player's foot.

He is out for a minimum of six weeks.

And Manual Forrest has a sore Achilles' tendon and is listed as

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questionable for the tournament.

That spells trouble for the Cards, who were bombed by Athletics in Action 83-61 without the two seniors.

And it spells optimism for Louisiana Tech, which many believe could have downed Louisville even with Wagner and Forrest in the lineup.

"Obviously, they (Louisiana Tech) have an outstanding team," said Louisville coach Denny Crum.

"They've got four starters back, and they could have given us all we could handle if we were healthy."

The Bulldogs have 6-9 All-American Karl Malone and 6-10 Eddie Simmons to go against Louisville's 6-7 Billy Thompson and 6-7 Mark McSwain, who will start if Forrest can't.

Tipoff will be at 6 p.m. tomorrow in Diddle Arena.

But Wagner's shoes may be the toughest to fill.

James Jeter, Chris West and Mike Abrams are vying for that guard spot, but without Wagner, the Cardinals lose their leading scorer, team leader and an instrumental part of their all-important zone press.

The other starting guard, Jeff Hall, has had the flu, but will prob-

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Injured star hurts Cards

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ably be ready this weekend.

"We just have to find a combination of healthy players that works," Crum said.

The only "upset" then would be if St. Francis can beat the Toppers in the second game scheduled to begin at 8.

And that's not likely to happen.

The Red Flash dropped their first three games at Notre Dame, Pittsburgh and Ohio University.

"They're going to try and run us and make it a high scoring game," said Western assistant coach Dwane Casey. "But we want to keep the score down and force them to play a halfcourt game so we can use our size advantage."

But Western has a 6-8 injury problem of its own.

Clarence Martin, who is still re-

covering from a knee injury, will see limited action on Friday against St. Francis, but may start or see extensive time in the championship game, Casey said.

"It's hard for Clarence to play hard two nights in a row, so we'll probably use him sparingly until we need him."

Casey said Western needs outside shooting and tough defense to win its first Wendy's Classic.

"We need some long-range points from Mike (Ballenger) and our other guards, because we expect the other teams to pack in their zones. So we'll need to loosen them up by shooting over them."

The play of Tellis Frank, Casey said, will also be important.

"If Tellis can have a good game shooting, they'll have to come out and guard him, and that will take

some of the pressure off Kannard (Johnson) in the middle."

The Toppers will be looking to Johnson for much of their scoring punch. Johnson scored 25 points and had 10 rebounds against Livingston.

"Kannard needs to be hungry, like he was against Livingston," Casey said. "If he's not hungry, we have others to take up the slack."

Casey said it doesn't matter which team the Toppers play in the finals because they present the same problems.

"They both press you and both can hurt you rebounding," he said. "And they both have great athletes."

Tomorrow night's losers will vie in the consolation game at 6 p.m. Saturday. The winners meet in the finals at 8.

Tickets still available for Classic

About 1,200 tickets remain for this weekend's Wendy's Classic basketball tournament, according to ticket manager Bobby Houk.

Al McGuire of CBS Sports and Billy Packer of NBC Sports will be special guests at the Classic.

Houk said most of the tickets are for the \$8 pull-out bleachers; there are only a few \$14 tickets remaining for the permanent bleachers.

Tickets can be purchased at the ticket office in Diddle Arena or at Snyder's in Greenwood Mall.

After Friday, remaining tickets will be sold at the door for \$4.

Houk said about 1,000 tickets were sent to Louisville, although he doesn't know how many have been sold. About 1,200 tickets have been sold to Louisville fans here, he said.

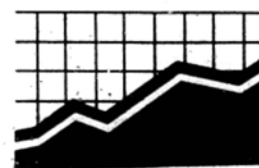
Houk added that Western has 400

tickets left for the Indiana Classic in Bloomington, Ind.

The consolation and championship games will be Dec. 15 at 6 and 8 p.m., respectively.

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Nine football players quit team

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Bryant, a junior from Cohutta, Ga.; and placekicker Walter Haberlock, a Princeton junior.

Willie Branham, a Louisville junior, was advised by the doctor to stop playing because of the neck injury he received about mid-season; the doctor said Branham would risk being paralyzed if he continued to play.

Roberts was in Louisville last night at a speaking engagement and was not available for comment.

Butch Gilbert, running back coach and administrative assistant, said he believes the move was probably in the players' best interest.

"It probably is because most of those guys will go on and graduate," Gilbert said of the seniors who decided not to come back.

Travis, a Glasgow native, did

most all of the signal calling his sophomore season and started Western's first five games this year. He completed 84 of 163 passes for 838 yards before Cesarone took over.

"I wouldn't have played much more, I don't believe," Travis said yesterday. "Cesarone is the man now. All I did at the end of the season was sit around."

"But I've got an accounting degree with pretty good grades, so I'm going to go on with that."

Diel, a junior from Gallatin, Tenn., saw more action in the last game and half of this season than he did his previous three years.

He had the highest passing percentage (57.4) of any Topper quarterback this season. As the starter for the injured Cesarone in the final game, he nearly guided the Tops to a major upset at Murray. He completed 24 of 44 passes for 277 yards and two touchdowns.

"I've been playing four years now, and I'm just ready to be a normal student," the soft-spoken Diel said earlier this week.

Greer, who intends to get married this summer, said that he plans to transfer to Cumberland College in Williamsburg.

Gilbert said Western will have eight junior college prospects here this weekend for official visits. Six other prospects have said they won't make any decisions until visiting Western next weekend.

"We're primarily looking for defensive help and feel like we'll do all right if we sign four of the 14 we're going to bring in," Gilbert said.

Because of NCAA regulations, Gilbert couldn't name any of the players Western is recruiting, but he said most of the players are from Kansas and Mississippi.

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Long adds sprinters for balance

By JULIUS KEY

"The weather isn't the only thing changing.

Coach Curtiss Long's team has added balance this year by adding some sprinters to his team, which has been dominated by distance runners.

And the Toppers will display their new found balanced attack when they open the season tomorrow at Murfreesboro in a triangular meet against Middle Tennessee and Austin Peay.

"This is probably the strongest overall team we have had in seasons," Long said. "We'll know more after the meet whether the sprinters will be able to make a contribution for the season or not."

Last season Long had only two sprinters, but they were unable to make solid contributions.

"Some of the sprinters are running towards a track career, some

Indoor track

are running to improve their overall foot speed," Long said. "We're obviously pleased with the trade off."

Running in the sprint events will be Billy Hearn, Keith Paskett, Cedric Jones and Kelvin Nedd.

They will be running in the 60-meter trials, and the 300-meter relay in the opening meet at Murfreesboro.

Long said he thinks the sprinters have potential.

"In last year's football recruiting crop, there were a lot of good athletes who had good track and field backgrounds in high school," Long said. "The question is whether they can improve their foot speed to become competitive on the collegiate level."

The Toppers, as in past years, will still be loaded in the distance events.

Jon Barker, Cam Hubbard, Bryan Blankenship and Steve Metzger will compete in the mile.

John Thomas and Bernard O'Sullivan will run in the 600, and Pat Alexander and Mark Everitt will run the 800.

James Boxx will compete in the 1,000-yard run, and the mile-relay team will be Thomas, Alexander, O'Sullivan and Paskett.

Mike Snyder, Mike McMahan and Dave Padgett will run in the two-mile event.

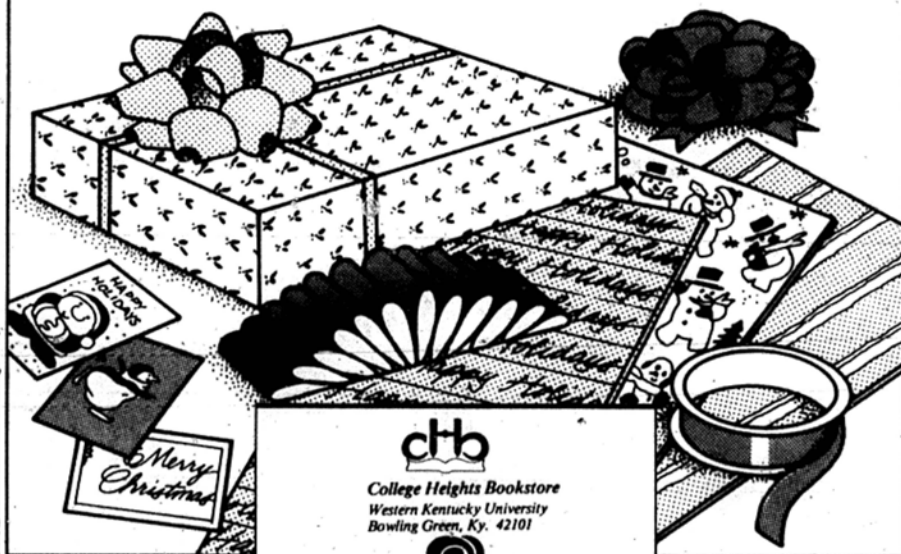
Competing in the long jump and shot put will be Todd Jones and Flip Fossee, and Perry Thomas will put the shot.

Tyrone Graves, Steve Edison and John Daniel will high jump.

The women will compete in a non-scoring meet.

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Commies on campus: Cover story: The Big Red scare

By JOHN LENIN

The CIA has announced a plan to "neutralize" a radical fringe at WKU which it says threatens national security: Commies on campus.

The agency was alerted to the "festering boil of leftism" after a visit by Vice President George Bush.

Sources say Bush was shocked by "brazen pinko, Russkie-lovin'" college students.

Bush suspected there was a bear in the WKU woods when hundreds of infiltrators stormed the rally, waving "pinko red" banners cleverly designed to resemble guest

towels, an aide told WKU Today.

"The student body at Western has gone so far left that they've left Scottsville," Bush reportedly told an aide. "I'm not going to put up with a single commie... Well, I can't say it, but it rhymes with 'plastered'."

Under Bush's direction, the CIA has targeted several WKU traditions for "removal." They include:

- Big Red. Bush called the mascot "the communist threat personified." "Leave it to radical college students to turn the evil empire into a cuddly shag rug," Bush said. "What's next, Comrade Cabbage Patch Dolls?"

Bush said he wouldn't rest until the mascot was stretched out in front of the White House fireplace with WELCOME branded across his back.

■ WKU fans who chant "Go Big Red" at every athletic event. "The whole campus is caught up in this 'Big Red' thing," Bush said. "I mean, you've got these people singing the 'Star-Spangled-Banner' one minute and cheering for the Soviet Union the next."

"I'm just very confused by it all. They seemed like such nice conservatives, real YUPPIES. It's this kind of subversion that threatens the very core of our society."

Bush said he is also investigating the Big Red Marching Band, the ROTC's Big Red Army and Big Red soft drink.

Former men's track coach Del Hessel could not be reached for comment.

WKU plans move west

By MUCKRAKKER

WKU's planned move to Paducah has thrown the Bowling Green economy into a tailspin.

Mayor Charles Hardcastle has called in the National Guard to quell mass riots and looting on the square. (See related stories, page 121D.)

"We've got to act quickly," Hardcastle said. "The city will collapse within days."

President Donald Zacharias announced this morning that the new school will be called *Really Western Kentucky University*.

"We're supposed to be *Western Kentucky University*," he said. "So we're moving west."

Exams have been cancelled; students have been told not to return after Christmas break.

The move places the city in "an instant and irreversible slump," unless a financial sugar daddy is found, according to Wall Street speculation.

"Just like in '29," a dazed broker said. "We're all going to lose our shirts."

The Bowling Green/Warren County Chamber of Commerce hopes Baby Doc Medical University in Haiti or Paducah Community College will move to Bowling Green. Negotiations are under way in the now-vacant administration building.

"We've got to get some other financially frivolous institution to replace WKU's bucks in our economy," a chamber spokesman said. "We'll never make it, otherwise."

Merchants are taking drastic steps to avoid bankruptcy. (See related story, page 15.)

"I didn't mean to upset anyone," Zacharias said. "We just need some space. It's time to move on."

Former men's track coach Del Hessel could not be reached for comment.



GETTING THE BOOT: WKU mascot Big Red receives a kick to his furry red behind as kidnappers deposit him in front of the university center.

Big Red kidnapped

By CLARK KENT

Big Red, the mascot left without a school, was kidnapped at gunpoint yesterday and held for \$100,000 ransom.

Ironically, his captors dropped him off outside the university center and paid WKU \$10,000 after realizing the school couldn't meet their demands.

In a letter, being delivered through campus mail the kidnappers said they chose Big Red because they despise his color. The letter should arrive at Wetherby next month.

"We have been calling Zach and Robert

Haynes (vice president for academic affairs) for three days, and they haven't returned our calls," the kidnappers told WKU Today.

"Red is really driving us crazy — sticking things in his mouth, jumping up and down. We would appreciate a little consideration."

President Donald Zacharias, taking a break from packing for a new job in Texas, said: "Frankly, I am glad to be rid of Big Red. I got really tired of explaining what the thing was supposed to be every time we had an away game."

COMMIES ON CAMPUS

Results of last month's random wiretapping by the CIA

Is there a bear in the woods?

Yes, Smokey 51%

No, just a bear 33%

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Is the Soviet Union a threat?

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Who is Karl Marx?

George Washington 75%

A communist 24%

Elvis Paul Bunch, public safety director, said there are no leads or motives in the case. But he offered a theory:

"What would you do if you were an unemployed mascot with a vague identity? I have talked with some of Red's friends. They say he hasn't been the same since he lost his bid for the presidency."

"They said he has been acting odd and depressed. I think he orchestrated the whole thing."

"A mascot can live a long time on \$100,000."

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